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SUBJECT: GATT PANELS ON DISC AND RELATED TAX PRACTICES

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1. FRENCH GATT REP (COLMANT) CALLED US TO ASK
WHETHER US WAS PLANNING TO MAKE SUBMISSION
CONCERNING OUR COMPLAINT RE FRENCH TAX PRACTICES
IN ADVANCE OF FIRST MEETING OF PANELS. WE REPLIED
US HAD PROPOSED THAT VARIOUS PARTIES ALL SUMBIT
PAPERS BY MARCH 1, BUT THAT NEGATIVE RESPONSE
WE HAD RECEIVED FROM EC CONCERNING DISC (REFTEL)
MADE US DOUBTFUL WHETHER WE WOULD WANT TO SUBMIT
OUR OWN PAPERS BEFORE COMMUNITY WILLING TO DO

LIKEWISE. WE UNDERTOOK, HOWEVER, TO RELAY REQUEST
TO WASHINGTON. COLMANT FURTHER ADDED THAT EVEN
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IF WE NOT PREPARED MAKE WRITTEN SUBMISSION IN

ADVANCE HIS PEOPLE WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING WE
MIGHT HAVE IN WRITING FROM PAST CONCERNING DETAILS
OF OUR COMPLAINT. GUIDANCE REQUESTED.

2. WE NOTED WE SOMEWHAT SURPRISED THAT LUYTEN
LETTER (QUOTED REFTEL) INDICATED THAT COMMUNITY
AS SUCH WAS CONCERNED ONLY WITH PANEL CONSIDERATION
OF DISC AND OT WITH FRENCH, BELGIUM AND DUTCH
PRACTICES US COMPLAINING AGAINST. COLMANT RESPONDED
THAT AS FAR AS FRANCE CONCERNED, THEY MUCH
PREFERRED DEFENT THEIR OWN CASE WITH THEIR
OWN EXPERTS RATHER THAN RELYING ON COMMISSION. BRUNGART

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